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RALEIGH – Officials with the N.C. Department of Environmental Quality will host three listening sessions to obtain additional community feedback on the proposed Atlantic Coast Pipeline project that will traverse eight North Carolina counties.

Atlantic Coast Pipeline, LLC is proposing to construct one compressor station and install about 186 miles of 36-inch transmission pipeline in Northampton, Halifax, Nash, Wilson, Johnston, Sampson, Cumberland and Robeson counties.

The listening sessions are scheduled for:

- Aug. 15: Nash Community College, 522 N. Old Carriage Rd., Rocky Mount
- Aug. 16: Northampton County Cultural and Wellness Center, 9536 N.C. Hwy. 305, Jackson.
- Aug. 17: Southeastern Agricultural Center, 1027 U.S. Hwy. 74, Lumberton.

Speaker registration and sign-in for all three listening sessions will start at 5:30 p.m. The listening sessions will start at 6 p.m.

The Department of Environmental Quality held two public hearings in July to receive comments on Atlantic Coast Pipeline LLC's application for a 401 water quality certification and buffer authorization as required by the federal Clean Water Act and state riparian buffer rules. The project application and supporting documents may be found online at: <http://edocs.deq.nc.gov/WaterResources/0/foi/261798/Row1.aspx>. The application and supporting documents may also be reviewed at the Division of Water Resources' Central Office located in the Archdale Building, 512 North Salisbury St., Raleigh, N.C. 27604. To schedule an appointment to review the file, please contact Jennifer Burdette at jennifer.burdette@ncdenr.gov or 919-807-6364.

The public may submit written comments on the 401 application to: 401 Permitting, 1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1617. Written comments may also be submitted by email to PublicComments@ncdenr.gov. Please be sure to include "ACP" in the email's subject line. The public comment period ends at 5 p.m. Aug. 19.

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